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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), SHUM, UN, CI  
SUBJECT: CHILE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

REF: (A) STATE 232707; (B) STATE 232267

1. MORNING SEPTEMBER 28 ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN MET WITH WILLIAM BUFFUM, UN UNDERSECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS, TO DISCUSS PROPOSAL FOR UNHRC VISIT TO CHILE AND GOC RESPONSE ON DISAPPEAREDS.
2. TODMAN INFORMED BUFFUM OF GOC-INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT TWO MEMBERS OF UNHRC TO VISIT UNDER CONDITIONS MENTIONED IN REFTEL B. BUFFUM SAID UNHRC IS USUALLY RELUCTANT TO SEND ANYTHING LESS THAN FULL TEAM OUT OF CONCERN ABOUT POSSIBLE SUGGESTIONS OF DIVISIONS WITHIN THE COMMISSION. HOWEVER, BUFFUM DID SEE VALUE IN TWO-MAN VISIT AS FIRST STEP AND AGREED TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH CHILEAN AMBASSADOR SERGIO DIEZ TO SEE HOW IT MIGHT BE WORKED OUT. HE SAID THAT CHAIRMAN OF UNHRC AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON CHILE (ALLANA) IS PERSONA NON GRATA IN CHILE. HOWEVER, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT UNHRC PRESIDENT BOZOVIC AND ONE OTHER MEMBER MIGHT GO. HE PROMISED TO KEEP US INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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3. BUFFUM STATED THAT REGARDING "DISAPPEAREDS" GOC HAD PROVIDED INFORMATION THAT TEN INDIVIDUALS ON LIST HAD PREVIOUSLY LEFT FOR OTHER COUNTRIES AND HAD GIVEN DEPARTURE DATES AND DESTINATIONS. GOC STATED THAT IN SOME OTHER CASES INDIVIDUALS ARE STILL IN THE JUDICIAL PROCESS AND INFORMATION RELEASABLE ONLY UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON REMAINDER. BUFFUM IS TRYING TO ARRANGE FOR UN LEGAL COUNSEL ERIC SUY TO VISIT CHILE TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH GOC, BUT IN WAY WHICH WOULD AVOID PUBLICITY. SUY WILL PROBABLY TRAVEL TO CHILE ON A MATTER RELATED TO PROBLEMS BETWEEN THE GOC AND ECLA, WHICH WILL PROVIDE A USEFUL COVER. RELATIVES OF INDIVIDUALS WHOSE NAMES ARE ON THE GOC REPORT WOULD BE INFORMED OF SUY'S VISIT AND ADVISED THAT HE MAY BE TALKING TO A NUMBER OF THEM. THEIR COOPERATION WOULD BE REQUESTED IN TRYING TO AVOID PUBLICITY.

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